

Catfish: Inventory as of January 1 (in 1,000)

Size category	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Broodfish 1/	1,171	1,303	1,098	1,034	1,106	902	760
Fingerling/fry 2/	1,066,400	990,163	727,071	654,660	1,039,415	964,814	894,005
Stockers 3/	676,378	775,226	855,522	643,280	778,205	575,627	570,447
Small foodsize 4/	287,591	254,920	241,465	239,980	214,160	206,259	195,709
Medium foodsize 5/	106,117	127,908	104,926	93,700	102,730	98,407	90,385
Large foodsize 6/	10,746	11,195	10,448	10,405	10,790	8,400	7,754

1/ Fish kept for egg production.

2/ Fingerlings weigh 2-60 pounds per 1,000 fish or are 2-6 inches in length. Fry weigh less than 2 pounds per 1,000 fish or are less than 2 inches in length.

3/ Fish weighing over 60 pounds to 750 pounds per 1,000 fish.

4/ Fish weighing over 0.75 pounds to 1.5 pounds.

5/ Fish weighing over 1.5 pounds to 3 pounds.

6/ Fish weighing over 3 pounds.

Source: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Catfish Production.

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